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FOLLOWING IS DRAFT TEXT I PROPOSE TO PRESENT TODAY TO FONMIN SOARES AS BASIS FOR JOINT RELEASE WITH PRESIDENT FOLLOWING PRESENTATION CREDENTIALS. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONCURRENCE BY COB (PORTUGUESE TIME) THURSDAY, JANUARY 23. IF YOU CONCUR, SUGGEST TEXT BE USED INITIATE CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION IMMEDIATELY.

QUOTE

FOLLOWING THE PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS TO HIS EXCELLENCY FRANCISCO DA COSTA GOMES, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR REAFFIRMED THE DESIRE OF THE UNITED STATES TO INTENSIFY THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO

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COUNTRIES AND AS A RESULT OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN

THE TWO GOVERNMENTS PLEDGED U.S. COOPERATION IN THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:

1. INTEGRATED COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES: THE U.S. AGREES TO LEND UP TO DOLS 1.5 MILLION FOR THE INITIATION OF PILOT EXPERIMENTAL ACTIVITIES OF INTEGRATED COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES COMBINING BOTH PREVENTIVE AND CURATIVE HEALTH CARE. SPECIFIC PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION ARE:

-- A PILOT COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC USING EXISTING FACILITIES AT THE SANTA CRUZ CLINIC IN CARNAXIDE.

-- A PILOT CLINIC OFFERING INTEGRATED LOWER-COST COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES IN A SELECTED RURAL AREA.

-- A MODEL URBAN COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC IN A LOW-INCOME AREA OF THE OPORTO REGION.

SUCH PILOT PROJECTS WOULD BE DESIGNED TO TEST ALTERNATIVES FOR THE EXPANSION BY THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT OF LOWER COST MORE EFFECTIVE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES TO ALL SECTIONS OF THE PORTUGUESE PEOPLE.

2. HOUSING: THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO GUARANTEE UP TO DOLS 20 MILLION IN PRIVATE AMERICAN LOANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING IN PORTUGAL.

3. TECHNICAL CONSULTATIONS: A GRANT OF UP TO DOLS 300,000 IS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY TO THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT FOR THE CONSULTANT SERVICES OF U.S. TECHNICAL EXPERTS IN SPECIALIZED FIELDS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AS DESIRED BY THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT. FIELDS WHICH HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED ARE:

-- PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION

-- LOW-COST HOUSING

-- TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

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-- AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION

-- PRODUCTION OF AUDIO-VISUAL EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING MATERIALS.

4. FELLOWSHIPS: A GRANT OF UP TO DOLS 200,000 IS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY FOR THE SPECIALIZED TRAINING AND RESEARCH OF PORTUGUESE EXPERTS IN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS

IN THE UNITED STATES IN FIELDS MUTUALLY AGREED UPON BY BOTH
GOVERNMENTS.

5. FEASIBILITY STUDIES: A LOAN OF UP TO DOLS 1 MILLION IS
AVAILABLE FOR THE COMPLETION OF DETAILED PROJECT STUDIES OF
HIGHEST PRIORITY TO THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT. THESE MAY INCLUDE:

-- A STUDY LEADING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PROJECT OF
INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ALENTEJO INCLUDING
IRRIGATION, GRAIN STORAGE, AND AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND
EXTENSION.

-- A STUDY LEADING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PROGRAM
OF REFORESTATION IN THE NORTHERN PROVINCES.
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